106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2360

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 24, 1999

Mr. Sanders (for himself and Mr. Burton of Indiana) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. HEALTH BENEFITS COVERAGE.
- 4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 8902(k) of title 5, United
- 5 States Code, is amended by inserting "chiropractor,
- 6 acupuncturist, massage therapist, naturopathic physician"

- 1 after "nursing school administered clinic," each place it
- 2 appears, and by striking "nurse midwife," each place it
- 3 appears and inserting "nurse midwife or other midwife,".
- 4 (b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 5 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to contracts entered
- 6 into or renewed on or after the date of enactment of this

7 Act.

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